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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

At the 3573rd meeting of the Security Council, held on 7 September 1995, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The situation in Croatia", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council has considered the report of the Secretary-General of 23 August 1995 (S/1995/730) submitted pursuant to its resolution 1009 of 10 August 1995 on Croatia and in particular the humanitarian situation and human rights violations described therein.

"The Security Council expresses its deep concern at the grave situation of refugees and persons displaced during the Croatian offensive and at reports of violations of international humanitarian law as described in the report of the Secretary-General of 23 August 1995 (S/1995/730). The Council shares the view of the Secretary-General that the mass exodus of the local Serb population has created a humanitarian crisis of significant proportions. The Council is also concerned by reports of human rights violations including the burning of houses, looting of property and killings and demands that the Government of Croatia immediately investigate all such reports and take appropriate measures to put an end to such acts.

"The Security Council reiterates its demand that the Government of the Republic of Croatia respect fully the rights of the local Serb population including their right to remain or return in safety.

"The Security Council welcomes efforts made by the Secretary-General in coordination with international humanitarian organizations in response to this acute humanitarian situation. It calls upon all Member States to provide urgent humanitarian relief and assistance to these refugees and displaced persons.

"The Security Council reiterates that all those who commit violations of international humanitarian law will be held individually responsible in respect of such acts. The Council reiterates in this context that all States shall cooperate fully with the International Tribunal established pursuant to its resolution 827 (1993) and its organs.

"The Security Council will remain actively seized of the matter."

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

At the 3576th meeting of the Security Council, held on 8 September 1995, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The situation in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council welcomes the meeting held under the auspices of the Contact Group in Geneva on 8 September 1995 between the Foreign Ministers of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the Republic of Croatia and of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro). It welcomes the joint statement issued at the conclusion of that meeting and in particular the agreement by the parties on the Declaration of Principles. It strongly urges the parties to negotiate in good faith and expeditiously on the basis of that Declaration with the aim of achieving a lasting peace throughout the region."

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

At the 3579th meeting of the Security Council, held on 15 September 1995, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "Follow-up to resolution 817 (1993)", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council welcomes the signing of the Interim Accord between Greece and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (S/1995/794, annex I) and looks forward to the establishment of a new relationship between the parties based on international law and peaceful, friendly relations. The Council believes the accord will promote the strengthening of stability in the region.

"The Security Council commends both parties, the Secretary-General, the Secretary-General's Special Envoy, Cyrus Vance, and the United States envoy, Matthew Nimetz, for their efforts in bringing about this important achievement, pursuant to Security Council resolutions 817 (1993) and 845 (1993). The Council encourages them to continue their efforts to resolve the remaining differences between the parties and urges the parties to implement fully the Interim Accord."

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

At the 3580th meeting of the Security Council, held on 18 September 1995, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The situation in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council deplores the rapidly escalating military situation on the ground in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and expresses its deep concern about the plight of the civilian population resulting therefrom.

"The Security Council demands that all the parties involved in offensive military activities and hostile acts in Western Bosnia cease them immediately and respect fully the rights of the local population. It stresses the importance it attaches to intensified efforts to alleviate the plight of refugees and displaced persons, and to the fullest cooperation in this regard by the parties with the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) and the international humanitarian agencies. The Council reiterates that there can be no military solution to the conflict in the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and urges all parties not to take military advantage of the present situation. It once again expresses its full support for the Geneva Declaration of Principles of 8 September 1995 (S/1995/780, annex II) which provides a basis for negotiations with the aim of achieving a lasting peace throughout the region.

"The Security Council furthermore deplores the death of one Danish peacekeeper and injury to nine others and expresses its condolences to the Government of Denmark and to the family of the peacekeeper who lost his life."

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STATEMENT BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

At the 3583rd meeting of the Security Council, held on 26 September 1995, in connection with the Council's consideration of the item entitled "The fiftieth anniversary of the United Nations", the President of the Security Council made the following statement on behalf of the Council:

"The Security Council has met on 26 September 1995, at the level of Foreign Ministers, to commemorate the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations and to exchange views on the challenges which the Security Council faces.

"Since its establishment the Security Council has played a crucial role in the maintenance of international peace and security on which development and cooperation among nations are based. The past few years in particular have been ones of momentous change, bringing fresh hope and new challenges. Operations mandated by the Council have assisted in the restoration of peace and stability to countries long-plagued by war. Although such operations have largely been successful, there are areas where success has not been achieved. The Council must continue to spare no effort in working for the maintenance of international peace and security, and build upon its experience of past and existing operations.

"The Security Council recognizes that the challenges facing the international community demand a resolute response, based on the principles and purposes of the Charter of the United Nations. The members of the Security Council consider that the United Nations must be strengthened and revitalized to help meet these challenges. They take note of the conclusions of the Working Group of the General Assembly on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and other Matters Related to the Security Council, inter alia, that the Council should be expanded, and that its working methods should continue to be reviewed, in a way that further strengthens its capacity and effectiveness, enhances its representative character and improves its working efficiency and transparency; and that important differences on key issues continue to exist. The Council also believes that effective use should be made of instruments for preventive action, and the Organization's

capacity to conduct effective peace-keeping operations should continue to be improved. The Council will continue to attach utmost importance to the safety and security of all who serve under the United Nations flag in the field.

"The members of the Security Council reaffirm their commitment to the collective security system of the Charter. On the solemn occasion of the Fiftieth Anniversary of the United Nations, the Council, along with other United Nations bodies, commemorates what has been achieved so far, but also commits itself once again to the maintenance of international peace and security for which it has primary responsibility, and to working to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war."